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For: **THIN FILM TRANSISTOR ARRAY SUBSTRATE USING LOW
DIELECTRIC INSULATING LAYER AND METHOD OF
FABRICATING THE SAME**

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the office action dated July 29, 2003, Applicants provisionally elect the species as disclosed in Figs. 1-6B and claims 1, 2, 6-12, 20, 22 and 23 readable thereon, with traverse. Applicants further submit that claims 1, 2, 6-12, 20, 22 and 23 include generic claims and claims readable on Figs. 1-6B, as well as other figures. For example, claims 1, 2, 6-12 and 20-29 are readable on Figs. 7-17C.

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As set forth in MPEP §806.04(a) and 37 CFR 1.141, a reasonable number of species may be claimed in one application. Examination of more than one specie, for example, species of Figs. 1-6B and Figs. 7-17C cannot be deemed an unreasonable amount of species presented in a patent application. The Examiner's reconsideration of the requirement to restrict the application is respectfully requested.

Further, as set forth in MPEP §803, if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits, even though the application contains claims to independent or distinct inventions.

Thus, it is respectfully submitted that simultaneous examination of at least the species of Group I and Group II will not present an undue burden.

Under such circumstances, the Examiner is encouraged to maintain at least claims 1, 2, 6-12 and 20-29 in the same application (See MPEP §803).

Early and favorable consideration of this application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted

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